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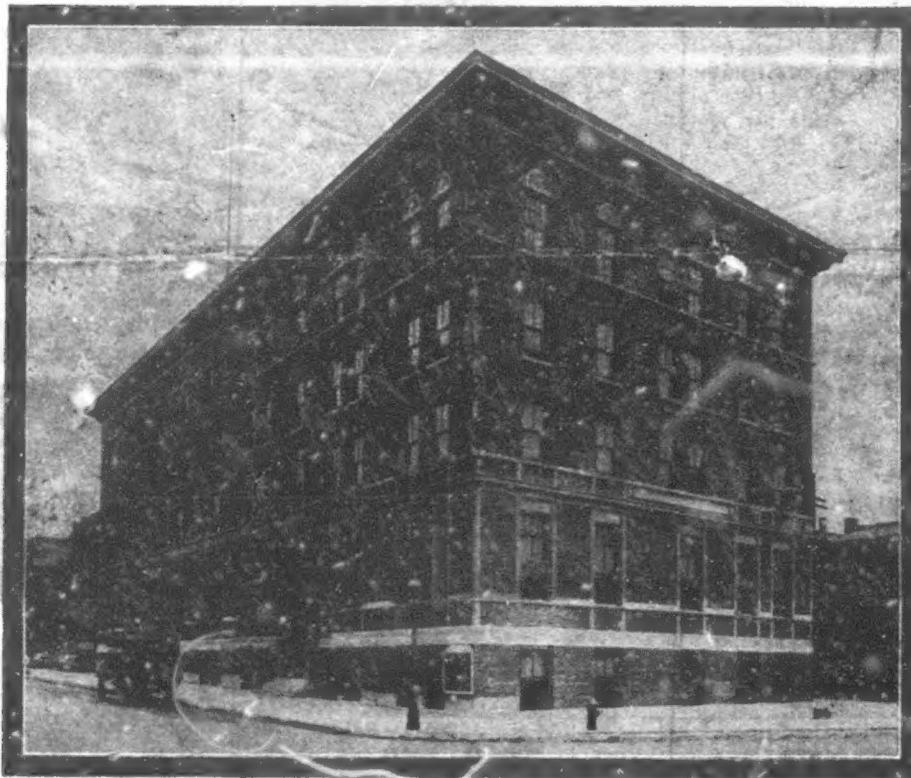
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Present Pine St. Building being used to utmost capacity. The rapid development of the Religious, Educational and Social Departments make us think in terms of additional space.

ST. LOUIS MUSICAL ASS'N. TO APPEAR IN CONCERT AT THE Y. M. SUNDAY, 17TH

The St. Louis Musical Association will appear in concert at Pine Street "Y" Sunday, May 17th, 4:00 o'clock p.m. An excellent program has been prepared which the public will greatly enjoy and appreciate. A very large attendance is expected.

ATTORNEY RAMSEY TO ADDRESS COMMONWEALTH TONIGHT

Attorney Fred D. Ramsey, District Manager National Benefit Life Insurance Co., will address the colored employees of the Commonwealth Steel Company in their Club room at Pine Street "Y" tonight (Friday, May 17th). Each member is expected to bring a friend with him to receive the benefit of the message.

WISHING DETROIT WELL

Pine Street Branch of the St. Louis Y. M. C. A. extends cheer and best wishes to the Detroit "Y" in its great forward movement program which carries with it the securing of \$5,000,000.00 for expansion and development; for the preserving of manhood and womanhood, through the proper Christian training and development of the youth, is the Nation's greatest responsibility and the world's only hope for freedom and equity, peace, progress and prosperity.

LARGE NUMBER ATTENDED MOTHERS' DAY SERVICE

The Mothers' Day Service at the "Y" was largely attended. The program was conducted by the boys of the Boys' Division. Mrs. Norcom, Cincinnati, delivered the address. More than four hundred were in attendance at this service.

JUNIOR MUSICAL ASSOCIATION IN CONCERT AT PINE ST. SUNDAY MAY 31ST

The Junior Musical Association will render a Grand Concert at the "Y" Sunday afternoon, May 31st. This will be a program of unusual note and promises to be the last outstanding musical treat of the Concert season. The public is cordially invited to attend this concert.

MISS WILKINS IMPROVES

Miss Lillian Wilkins of the Business Department is reported improving rapidly. Miss Wilkins is greatly missed at Pine Street and the daily inquiries made are expressions of real interest in her welfare. The Staff members and friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

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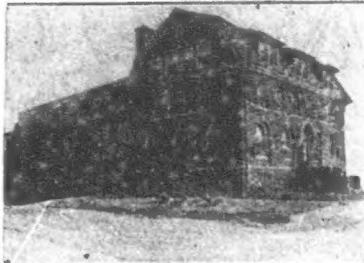
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Editorials**ST. LOUIS MUSICAL ASSOCIATION IN CONCERT AT THE Y. M. SUNDAY**

The St. Louis Musical Association will appear in concert Sunday at Pine Street Y. M. C. A. 4:00 p. m., May 17th. Following is the program:

- 1 Singing—America Audience
- 2 Invocation ... Rev. Geo. E. Stevens, Pastor Central Bapt. Church
- 3 Singing—Lift Every Voice and Sing Audience
- 4 Music, The Business Man's Viewpoint
Mr. John W. Hays, Pres.
Business Men's Ass'n.
- 5 Grand Selection from Attila . Vred. Shrine Band
- 6 Music, The Minister's Viewpoint
Rev. Noah Williams, Pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. Church
- 7 Female Quartet
Miss Grazia Corneal, Directress
- 8 Music, The Public School Teachers Viewpoint
Mr. John Furnell, Teacher Sumner High School
- 9 Overture—Poet and Peasant Von Suppe
Mrs. Ina Hollis Allen, Pianiste
- 10 Music, The Physician's Viewpoint Dr. A. W. Cheatham
- 11 Vocal Solo—Selected Miss Harriet Robinson
- 12 Music, The Musician's Viewpoint Teacher of Music, Lincoln High School.
East St. Louis, Ill.
- 13 Vocal Solo—Selected Miss Ruth Minor
- 14 (a) March—Pitt Panther . Panella
(b) Mannana Dance Missud
(c) Beyond the Gates of Paradise Kind
Mr. Nelson Marton, Euphonium
- Mrs. Adelaide M. Herriot, Pres. St. Louis Music Association
- Mr. William Blue, Conductor Shrine Band
- Mr. Antonio L. Haskell, Chairman Program Committee



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**1924-1925 CALENDAR
SUNDAY MEETINGS**

(Continued from last issue)

- 8th—Interracial Sunday. Dr. C. V. Roman, Nashville, Tenn., and Dr. Ivan Lee Holt, St. John's M. E. St. Louis. Speakers. Young Ladies Glee Club sang. Mrs. Daniel Bowles, read: Miss Grazia Corneal, violin; Mrs. Jos. H. Easter, played; Mrs. E. Hailey-Gordon, soloist. Attendance 500.
 - 15th—Mr. A. G. Knebel, Chicago, Regional "Y" Secretary. Subject: "Men Who Dare." Mrs. E. Horton-Solomon, soloist. Attendance 300.
 - 22nd—Senator A. H. Roberts, Chicago Ill., State Legislature. "Political and Moral Courage." Mrs. Alma Flemming-Hammond, soloist. Attendance 568.
- Total Attendance for February 1724

MARCH 1925

- 1st—Dr. Winfield Scott Hall, Presby Board Religious Education, Speaker. Pullman Shop Quartette. Male Chorus Cuban M. E. sang. Attendance 225.
- 8th—Dr. J. H. Grant, Speaker. Wayman A. M. E. Church, City. "What Is It That Endures?" Miss Thelma Harris, Soloist. Attendance 260.
- 15th—Musical—"Sinns Concert Band." Attendance 200.

- 22nd—Anniversary Service. Bishop R. C. Ransom, Nashville, Tenn. Speaker Miss Myrtle Burgess, piano; Miss Ethel Huffman, violin; Miss Harriet L. Robinson, soloist. Attendance 650
 - 29th—Atty. Chas. M. Hay, Speaker, St. Louis Lawyer. "Christian Citizenship." Mrs. Addie Williams, Soloist. Attendance 135.
- Total Attendance for March 1500.

APRIL 1925

- 5th—Mr. G. H. Simpson, Speaker. Urban League, City. "Problems of City Dwellers." Misses Ruth and Josephine Harris, Soloists. Attendance 100.
- 12—Easter—No Service.
- 19th—Rev. H. H. Jackson, Speaker.

BIBLE STUDY

And I say unto you, my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body and after that have no more that they can do. But I will forewarn you whom you shall fear: fear him which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell: yea, I say unto you, Fear him. Luke 12:4-5. Subject for Sunday "How Can We Live Life Without Worry? Led by Prof. M. J. Gilliam.

How can a man be not anxious about food and clothing in the modern world? What makes a man able to look death in the face? References, Luke 12:1-2-22-59.

Last Sunday's lesson was one of the greatest we have had. Rev. C. M. Moore was well prepared and was able to outline the lesson in such a manner that men had to think and in their thinking became interest. Time was so limited, and the lesson so interesting that a unanimous vote was cast for the lesson to be repeated in June. Rev. C. M. Moore promised to return on that day. No one who desires to understand the teaching of Christ will refuse to visit these classes. ARE YOU INTERESTED?

TOPIC FOR BIBLE STUDY IN WEEKLY STAFF CONFERENCE

The Employed Staff at Pine St. "Y" pursues some regularly outlined Bible Study course each week. The present course is: "Life in Fellowship." The topic for Monday is "The Sickness of Society and the Power to be Whole," led by Mr. R. K. Smith.

Metropolitan A. M. E. Z. City. "Is The Young Man Safe?" Metropolitan Choir sang. Mrs. Sadie Greenleaf, Soloist. Attendance 300.

26th—Dr. Leon Harrison, Speaker. Temple Israel. "Self Culture." White Orchestra played. Attendance 415. Total Attendance for April 824.

MAY 1925

3rd—Mr. Wm. Pickens, Speaker. New York Field Secretary. N. A. A. C. P. "Racial Self Respect". A Capella Quartette and Railroad Y. M. C. A. Orchestra.

10th—Mrs. Josephine M. Norcom, Executive Secretary Y. W. C. A., Cincinnati, Ohio. "Youth—The Hope of The World." Attendance 450.

17th—Band Concert. Blue's Concert Band. Auspices St. Louis Musical Association.

24th—No Meeting.

31st—Popular Musical St. Louis Jr. Musical Association.

9021 attended Sunday meetings from October 5th, 1924 to May 17th, 1925.

THUS CLOSES THE SEASON.

CHICAGO ENTERTAINED WITH LUNCHEON

The first machine load of Chicago players and rooters arrived early Saturday morning. The entire party was expected Friday night and it was somewhat of a disappointment when most of them did not get in until about three in the afternoon. The noonday volley ball class had planned a noon luncheon for its visitors and even though all of them had not arrived, their plans had to be carried through.

It was indeed a delightful affair. Six of the Chicagoans were present, Mr. Malone and a visitor happened in and everybody enjoyed the fellowship, and the wonderful meal. The menu consisted of half spring chicken, mashed potatoes, spring peas, coffee, rolls and strawberry shortcake.

Mr. Gordon Simpson, a classmate of Mr. H. R. Crawford, Physical Director at Chicago "Y", acted as toastmaster. Short speeches were made by Captain Hancock, Mr. Malone, Mr. Craft, Mr. Gentry (Sweet Cakes), Dr. Abbott, Mr. Crawford and Dr. Davis of Chicago and others. The jokes that "Sweet Cakes" and others indulged in at the expense of Chicago were just a little severe, but our visitors entered into the spirit of the occasion and left with loud praises for the brand of volley ball and hospitality of Saint Louis.

PINE STREET SWAMPS CHICAGO.

Windy City Team Loses Five Games

Amid the cheering of a large audience of enthusiastic volley ball fans, the Pine St. Varsity team again made easy prey out of its opponents and won all five games of the match. The spectators were liberal in their applause for Chicago and they merited it. They played a very good game and too, the presence of our own Howard Lindsay with them softened the heart of everyone except the men opposite him on the net.

Mr. Crawford's team was not the same group that was so easily defeated at Indianapolis at the Inter-state tournament. He has added some young players and with another year of experience, they will be hard to stop. Ramsey and Wilson, both young men of exceptional athletic ability, will be the best spikers in the Middle West with proper training and hard work, which they are sure to get in Chicago under Mr. Crawford, ably assisted by Howard Lindsay. The visitors lacked good boosters and when Captain Hancock's champions got started there was no chance of stopping them.

The teams lined up as follows: Chicago—Lindsay, Ramsey, Wilson, Davis,

Fouche and Adams. St. Louis—Key, Morton, A. G. Lindsay, Harris, Steward and Hancock. The scores of the game were: 1st, 15-5; 2nd, 15-12; 3rd, 15-12; 4th, 15-13; 5th, 15-1. During the games Chicago substituted Crawford and Kennedy and Captain Hancock used all of his players. Williams, Abbott, White, Craft, Tyler, Dixon, Gentry and Simpson.

It was a great game. Chicago left early Sunday morning rather downhearted, but having learned something about the game of volley ball.

CHECKERS

Checkers remain the very popular social feature in the Northwest corner of the lobby. There is yet room for even more who wish to enjoy this splendid mental and social recreation.

Checkers is a feature for both old and young men above 20 years. New boards and every possible equipment are being secured for the members who like this phase of the many activities.

SOCIAL ROOM

The Social Department desires to make every member feel comfortable and at home while at the "Y". Recently cold drinks, candies and dainties have been added in the social room for the refreshment of all visitors to this recreational room. Mr. Kimmons is making this room a choice spot for the summer. When at the "Y", do not fail to visit the Social Room and recreate daily. Billiards and checkers will help you forget troubles, pains and ill dispositions.

PROMOTIONAL DEPT. LAUNCHED SUMMER PROGRAM

At the May meeting of the Promotional Committee the following program was launched: During the month of June the sub-Committees will build their committee to full strength of five members each. The Religious Work Committee will have the following sub-committees: Sunday Meeting, Bible Study, Institutional Extension (Touching Old Folks Homes, Orphan Homes, Prisons, Hospitals and Bellefontaine Farm), Industrial Extension (Touching Steel Plants, Foundries, Railroad Shops, Foundries and Shops). Personal Interview and Life Problem. The Educational Committee will have (3) sub-Committees namely: Auto Mechanics, Commercial School and Special Courses.

Social Committee has the following three sub-Committees: Billiards, Checkers and Socials. During the month of July these committees will build their programs for the season beginning this fall. August they will make their budgets and prepare for fall opening.

CLASS IN PARLIAMENTARY LAW TO BEGIN

The Educational Department announces a class in Parliamentary Law, which will begin Thursday Eve., May 21. 7:30-8:30. This class will meet for one hour each week for six weeks.

The demand for such a course grew out of a discovery on the part of young men who are training for places of leadership. Class is open to the public. Free.

PRESIDENT BIBLE STUDY RE-ORGANIZES COMMITTEE

Mr. L. R. Stephens, newly appointed President of the Bible Study Committee has reorganized his Committee and reports same built to full strength of (5) five active members. The committee did as a first piece of work, the building of a program to cover three months.

TOPICS FOR DAILY LOBBY DEVOTIONS MAY 18-31ST.

Monday—"Blinded Judgments" led by Mr. Craft. Tuesday, 19th—"The Rock of Experience" led by Mr. Chiles. Wednesday, 20th—"The Lone Cry in the Big Crowd" led by Mr. Steward. Thursday, 21st—"Human frailties", led by Mr. Cook. Friday, 22nd—"The Light as Darkness", led by Mr. Woodson. Saturday, 23rd—"Wind and Fire", led by Mr. B. G. Smith.

CAN YOU SWIM?



SUMMER ACTIVITY

Swimming is indeed a pleasant and refreshing recreation for both men and boys, especially during the summer. Swimming is a membership privilege open to all members. If you are not a member, join today and avail yourself of this privilege.

**BOYS' DIVISION NEWS
HONOR ROLL**

Week of May 4th

Midgets: Theodore Brime, Dudley Brown.

Juniors: None.

Seniors: Charles Blackshear, Bluma Walker, Clifford Holliday and Alfred Batchman.

Leaders: Wm. Staves and Wilbert Culp.

Of course, boys who did not attend our Mothers' Day celebration should not expect to get on the "honor roll."

SUNDAY—3 P. M.

Don't miss Life Builders Club next Sunday—Something extra special is being arranged for the occasion. There are only two more meetings of this wonderful club. If you haven't ever attended one of its meetings, do so before the season is over and save yourself from the disgrace of feeble judgment.

MOTHER AND SON BANQUET

The great Mother and Son Banquet will be held in the boys' lobby tonight (Friday). Won't it be fine to entertain our mothers at a banquet in our own club room. We are very sorry for the boys who won't have the wonderful opportunity of honoring "Mother" on an occasion like this in a place like this.

OUR MOTHERS' DAY CELEBRATION

A large number of our boys were present with or without their mothers at the big Mothers' Day Celebration, which the Life Builders Club promoted in the gym last Sunday. Chas. Brantley President of the Life Builders, presided over the meeting of nearly 500 people and made a fine "job" of it. Waithall Moore made a wonderful impression as Chaplain, when he read the scripture and best reasons:

led in prayer. Wm. Staves recited an appropriate poem and Charles Blackshear read an excellent paper. The Young Brothers quartette made their usual 'bit' and Carl George played a beautiful cornet solo. Then Mrs. Norcom, Cincinnati, held that large audience wonderfully well with her charming personality and splendid message on "Youth—The Hope of the World." If you were not there—shame on you.

HIKE NOTES

"Let it rain, the mud just adds to the fun." That's what the gang said when they started on the hike Saturday in the rain.

I'll bet little Jerome got enough hiking to last him for awhile. Any time you wanted to find him, all you had to do was look back.

Yes, Jerome Brown is a wonderful kid. He can do everything—wrong.

And cooking in the rain ain't no trick. I'll bet Nehemiah could build a fire in a tub of water.

As a hiker, Jonas is a good night watchman.

Wonder what that boy wanted to say Floyd Collins for when we were away back in the cave? He liked to have started something.

The members of the "Gang" were: Nehemiah Hagens, Edward White, Elwood Ward, Jonas Spencer, Jerome Brown, Theodore Brime, Milton Moore and Burleson English. Nine Rabs for them. They're regular fellows

WHO GO TO CAMP?

Some parents and extremely 'green' boys have asked us why we think they ought to attend Camp River Cliff this Summer. Here are just a few of the

1 Every city boy needs to get away from the noise, dust and confusion of the city for at least ten days each year for the sake of his nerves, lungs and general health.

2 Camping is much better for boys than a trip to the farm because camping gives him all that the farm does plus a wonderful character, health, religion, building program.

3 Camp River Cliff is the largest and best camp in the world operated entirely for colored boys.

4 The Y. M. C. A. is spending more than \$2,000 this year to make it even better than before.

5 Camp River Cliff is a wonderful 65 acre beauty spot, nestling among the foothills of the Ozarks, 70 miles from St. Louis.

6 Camp River Cliff is equipped with ten screened camp cottages, large enough for 8 boys and a leader each, excellent spring water, pumped to the cottages, a large lodge equipped with a dining room, spacious kitchen, store room, ice box and office; a large play ground and fishing creek.

7 Among those in charge are a Camp Director, Camp Physical Director, Camp Physician and Camp cook, who are all Christian gentlemen of training.

8 Fresh vegetables grown at the camp and fresh milk supplied by the camp caretaker, enable an excellent chef to prepare three hot well-balanced and well-cooked meals each camp day.

9 Only boys of known moral character may attend after physical examinations are given by our camp physician.

10 Add to this the wonderful four-fold, man-making program and you cannot see how we can give all of that to a boy for only \$10.00 for 10 days or \$14.00 for 14 days.

REGISTER TODAY FOR SESSION NO. 1—JULY 22-31.

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